

AMVETS POST 37

NEWSLETTER

JULY, 2017

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

The State Convention has passed but I would like to thank the 5 delegates that attended the convention and were on the floor to vote. Our new state officers are as follows: Cmdr. Jim Ruppel, 1st Vice Dale Peterson, 2nd Vice Mike Hanke, 1Yr Trustee Wayne Amborn, 2nd Yr Trustee Robert Lund, 3 Yr Trustee Eric Bates and Provost Marshall Dale Wiegand.

Post 37 was especially busy in June with two White Clover drives at Miller Park, busing Vets from Zablocki to Manitowoc for a baseball game, bingo at Zablocki, picnic for the Vets at Triglave Park and the state convention.

In August we have 2 events going on plus our annual officers' installation on Monday, August 14th with our State Cmdr. Jim Ruppel installing us. There is bingo August 24th at 6:30 on the 9th floor at Zablocki and on August 26th there is a picnic at Lake Wheeler from 10:45 – 2. Please keep these dates in mind as we need all the help we can get.

Post Commander
Dennis (DB) Barrington (414) 745-3975

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Annual memberships now expire on August 31st. Renewal notices will be sent out by the National Dept. in August. The annual dues will remain at \$25.00. (What a Deal!)

PLEASE DO NOT RENEW ON-LINE!

Renewing on-line might work well for National, but it really causes confusion for us at the Post and State level. If you need to save that 49 cents postage, bring your renewal to our next meeting. I will personally buy you a beverage so you will remain hydrated through our meeting.

Our final membership count is in. We have 46 Life members and 13 Annuals for a total of 59 members. That is a decrease of one members from last year. Let's replace that one and add at least a few more this year. If you know a veteran, bring him/her to one of our functions. We'll do the rest.

Tom Wolf - (262) 439-9759

Summer Programs Report

Zablocki Veteran activities have been many and, I must say, enjoyable so far this summer. We began with June's Veteran's Recognition Day Picnic/Ball Game in Cleveland, Wisconsin and most recently a picnic social at Triglav Park, Wind Lake, Wisconsin. Both these events, were well attended and enjoyed greatly by our Veterans. The guys always go out of their way in letting us know that! Here's what, in part, Sara LeClair, recreation therapist at Zablocki, had to say, *"On behalf of the Veterans living in the Community Living Center, I would like to thank Post 37 for sponsoring the picnic lunch at beautiful Triglav Park on June 23rd. The food was delicious, the weather great and the music excellent."* Your welcome Sara. We of Post 37 enjoy sponsoring Veteran events like this and bringing a bit of joy into their lives.

Our next program will be our annual Veteran's Picnic to be held this year at Lake Wheeler on the Veteran grounds. The scheduled day is Saturday, August 26th, beginning at 11:00 am and running until about 3:00 pm. There will be the usual food, camaraderie, and the Veteran's favorite, bingo. Hope you're able to attend and be part of the day.

Our last Bingo Party of the summer will be held Thursday, August 24th in the 9th floor cafeteria at Zablocki. Activities start at 6:30 pm and go until around 7:45 pm.

In closing, I would like to thank Post members and friends who helped out with this year's White Clover drives at Miller Park. The money collected make all of our worthwhile Veteran programs possible.

Hope to see you soon!

Mike Maren

INSTALLATION MEETING

Monday, August 14th, 7PM at Ice House is the time and place for this annual event. Our State Commander, Jim Ruppel, will be there to install our new officers for the upcoming year.

If you are able to do so please attend this meeting. Please do so to show our support for our new state commander. Also, if possible, bring food so we can socialize after the meeting.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

The date for this has been changed from September 11th to Monday, September 18th because of a conflict with the Brewers game. There will also be a clothing collection ONLY at this meeting. Clothes must be clean with no holes. Please separate men's and women's clothes with sizes and what is in each bag.

STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Even though there were only 13 teams it was very successful. So I don't forget any individual or business I will just say one big THANK YOU to everyone.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

- 16th – Post 4 picnic, 11-5, American Legion Post on Shepard Avenue**
- 26th – 2nd District Meeting, 7:30, Memorial Hall, Racine**

AUGUST

- 8th – 12th – National Convention, Norfolk, Virginia**
- 14th – Post Officers Installation, 7:00 Ice House**
- 20th – AMVETS Day at the ball park, Wisconsin Timber Rattlers, \$17.50 includes tailgate and game, 10:30, contact Bob Dessort, 1-920-982-2773**
- 24th – Bingo at Zablocki, 6:30-8, 9th floor main hospital**
- 26th – Picnic at Lake Wheeler, 11 – 2, Zablocki Grounds**

SEPTEMBER

- 4th – Labor Day**
- 8th – 10th – King Weekend, King, Wi**
- 18th – Post meeting, 7PM, Ice House**
- 16th – SEC meeting, 1PM, Shooters in Plover**
- 22nd – 24th – State Campout**
- 27th – 2nd District Meeting**
- 30th – Riders Fundraiser**

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ICE HOUSE - J&D's HIDEAWAY - HICKORY HOUSE
JIMMY B's - RIVIERA LANES

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